

## *Plano Model Products #14924 SD24 / SD26 Step Set - Atlas Model*

The brass steps in this kit are designed to fit the Atlas SD24 and SD26 models. They can be applied to either an undecorated or built / decorated model. These instructions will attempt to explain how to add them in either case. Read through instructions first so you can plan ahead if needed. All brass corner steps are either right hand or left hand steps. Except for the top steps, all bends and folds will be made with the half etch lines being the inside of the bends.

### *Prepping frame corner for new steps*

Begin by remove the plastic bottom steps from the walkway frame, leaving a small lip on each side to hold the new steps. The center step was originally a separate step. An undecorated model will already have the center step removed. Add a small piece of .020 X .020 styrene strip to each side of step well to hold new step. If you are working with decorated model and the center step does not come out, cut it out and leave a small lip on each side to hold new step. The top step can be left in place as the new step will glue right to it.

### *Adding new steps*

The top steps will be the easiest to install. The prototype steps were a solid step with a raised 'dimple' safety tread. Remove a brass top step from the fret. With tread pattern

facing up, bend front lip (the full thickness portion of the step) down 90 degrees and glue to top plastic step of frame. Remove middle and bottom brass steps from fret, clean up edge if needed, bend front lip down 90 degrees and glue to lips on edges of step well. Repeat on remaining corners.

### *Cab steps*

If you have a decorated model, remove existing plastic cab steps as applicable, either leaving a lip to hold new steps or completely removing from body. The undecorated bodies have a slot to hold the steps in the body.

If adding new steps to undecorated body, fold tab on side of step (on end of mounting pins) under completely against 'pins'. Also bend front lip down 90 degrees. Insert tab into slot, other side of step on lip of kick plate and glue in place. Other options for decorated models are remove tab leaving mounting pins to insert into holes you will have to drill in body or remove pins and glue to lip left from removing plastic steps.

That completes this detailing part of you project. Touch up paint if needed. Thank you for using our product on your model. Please see your local hobby supplier for all of our photo etch details or visit us online.